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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

On 12th December at 2:15 p.m., at the Peak Hospital, LIZ CARLOS, DO ROZARIO, son of the late MARCOS C. DO ROZARIO. The funeral will leave the Roman Catholic Cathedral at 4 p.m. to-day.

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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 13TH, 1905.

If the Daily Telegraph be well informed in a number arriving by yesterday's mail, Russia is wilfully joining the ranks of those who manufacture their own troubles. Japan's status as a Power of the first magnitude has now been recognised by England, America, Germany, and France; and even the Tsar in a recent rescript thought it expedient to refer to Japan as great and mighty. Yet Russia is balking at Japan's desire to exchange representatives of ambassadorial rank. Count Witte informed his Government from Portsmouth that the future good relations of Japan and Russia would be fostered, if Russia fell into line with the other Powers in the matter of paying this deserved compliment. "But in St. Petersburg," says the Daily Telegraph, "the matter was regarded from a different point of view," from, we cannot help adding, a pettish, childish point of view. Russia elected to be represented at Tokyo by "a mere minister," and sent for M. BERNIER, the Minister at Sofia; and conveyed this insulting intimation via France. There was only one answer, and this humiliation she thereby drew upon herself. Russia "was courteously informed, through the same channels (French), that Japan would prefer, for the time being, to send a mere Chargé d'Affaires to St. Petersburg, and to have a Russian representative of like rank in Tokyo." This petty exhibition by Russia, in view of the attitude of the other Powers,

could not possibly have the effect intended. The dignified retort of Japan puts Russia in the position of the small Power—which is as it should be, after such a small-minded bit of pique. In any case, it does not augur well for the future amicable relations that have been looked for and talked of. It is, however, probable that Russia will yet find it expedient to yield ungraciously what she would have done better to do gracefully.

We believe the composition of the new British Cabinet, which we were able to announce in our mid-day Shipping Extra on Monday, will command a feeling of greater confidence in the stability of a Liberal Administration than the public generally were led to expect from previous speculations on the subject. It is ten years since the collapse of the last Liberal Administration, but many members of previous Liberal Cabinets figure in the new Cabinet which, moreover, is strengthened by the inclusion of other names which will command world-wide confidence and respect. That Sir EDWARD GREY would be the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs was a foregone conclusion. In the last Liberal Administration Sir EDWARD was Under Secretary first to Lord ROSEBURY and afterwards to the Earl of KIMBERLEY. While the Liberals have sat in the cold shades of opposition no one among them has commanded a more respectful hearing on questions of foreign policy than Sir EDWARD GREY. His public speeches have shown him to be in general agreement with Lord LANSDOWNE's policy, and we anticipated, therefore, no violent disturbance of the country's relations with Foreign Powers. Notwithstanding that the Liberal Party generally has viewed with some disfavor our agreement to secure the assistance of Japan in the defence of India, both Sir HENRY CAMPBELL-BANERMAN and Sir EDWARD GREY have publicly declared that a Liberal Government would loyally carry out the Anglo-Japanese alliance as they unreservedly approve the treaty so far as it is intended to maintain the integrity of China. Equal confidence will be felt in the Earl of ELGIN and KINGCARINE (formerly Viceroy of India), as Colonial Secretary, but the appointment, especially at the present time, of a notorious "Little Englander" like Mr. JOHN MORLEY as Secretary of State for India, will doubtless appeal to many as somewhat humorous. We fear it is not improbable that this bodes further trouble in India, for we doubt if Mr. JOHN MORLEY will be found so compliant towards Lord KITCHENER's plans as his predecessor has been. As to the other appointments in the Cabinet there is little that need be said. The appointment to office of Mr. LLOYD GEORGE, the firebrand of the Party, was generally anticipated, and perhaps no safer place for this turbulent spirit could be found than the Board of Trade. The inclusion of Mr. JOHN BURNS in the Cabinet is the first occasion on which a Labour Member has been so honoured, but few have watched the career of Mr. BURNS as a member of the London County Council and a member of the Imperial Parliament will cavil at the selection. Neither Mr. LLOYD GEORGE nor Mr. JOHN BURNS have held office of any kind in previous administrations, nor have Mr. HALDANE, Mr. BIRRELL, and Captain SINCLAIR. It is, to say the least, unusual to find so many men in a new Cabinet who have not qualified by service as Parliamentary Under Secretaries. The prolonged exclusion of the Liberal Party from power affords the explanation, no doubt, for it will generally be admitted that the new ministers are men of commanding ability in the ranks of the Liberal Party.

Capt. John de Mestre Hutcheon, R.N., late extra Naval Attaché at Tokyo, has got his C.M.G.

The last London Lord Mayor's "show" attracted bigger crowds than "for years past." One of three emblematical cars represented "the Colonies."

On Dec. 9th the plague totals stood at 391 cases and 283 deaths. On the same day two Europeans and one Portuguese were reported to be suffering from diphtheria.

Hall Caine, the successful novelist, has recently remarked that "nature herself provides the first essential—gonorrhea, without which success in fiction writing is impossible."

One of the most artistic wall calendars yet to hand is that from Mr. H. Rutledge, whose production contains a copy of a well-known painting, and has the calendar neatly set out.

The "Shaughraun" has been played on Monday and Tuesday nights to good audiences, at the St. Patrick's Club, and the efforts of the amateurs have been attended with undoubted success on both occasions.

Prince Arthur of Connaught is coming on to Jan. 5, per P. & O. s.s. *Mongolia*.

A line of railway across British North Borneo, to cost £1,500,000, is talked of in yesterday's mail papers.

General Yin-chang, the retiring Minister at Berlin, told them that China's treatment by the Powers had driven her into the arms of Japan.

The return issued by the Observatory shows that on the 11th inst., the difference between the maximum and minimum temperature was 17 degrees.

A large draft of the Royal West Kent Regiment is expected to arrive here to-day, and tents have been erected for the accommodation of the men on the Parade Ground.

Three Russian transports, under charter to the Hamburg America Line, will probably call here for coal at the end of the month. The transports are conveying Russian soldiers from Vladivostok to Russia.

A body buried in the sand was found in the watercourse at Lai-chikok on Monday. It was so decomposed that it was impossible to say of what nationality the man was. The circumstances are not regarded as suspicious.

It was a telegram, published by the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, followed our London correspondent's message giving the new Liberal Cabinet; and supplements the list with two appointments, Lord Justice Walker as Chancellor of Ireland, and Mr. Lewis Harcourt as Commissioner of Works.

As the result of a boiler explosion on board the German steamer *Wangfoh* on Monday the second and third engineers were severely scalded. The former, Gerhard Christian, has since succumbed to his injuries, while the latter lies in hospital in a critical condition. The steamer resumed her journey to Bangkok yesterday.

The credits Mr. Ku Hung-ming, of Wuchang, whose writings have aroused so much comment, has just finished his translation of the Chinese classic known to the world as "The Doctrine of the Mean." He will next render into English the work to which Dr. Legge gave the title of "The Great Learning," and which Mr. Ku considers as nothing but a treatise on the subject of higher education.

The *L. & C. Express* remarks:—It is quite encouraging to see silver at over 291 per oz., and Hongkong Exchange above 24—a rate that has, rightly or wrongly, come to be looked on as a sort of parity. It would appear that Russian requirements, a steady Eastern demand, and a satisfactory home consumption have combined to bring about a shortage of the metal for immediate delivery. There is at present no sign that any substantial reaction need be anticipated.

There have just arrived in Japan Mr. William Kerr, formerly chief engineer of the *Sado-maru*, and Mr. J. W. Ping, chief officer of that vessel, which, it will be remembered, was attacked and torpedoed by the Vladivostok squadron last year. Both these officers were taken prisoners and ultimately reached Russia, where they were confined until released at the instance of the British Government. They are now on their way to the head office of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha at Tokyo.

There are two battle ships and four armoured cruisers under construction in Japan. The battle-ships will be named *Aki* and *Sakuma* (both province names) and the cruisers christened *Tsukuba*, *Ikoma*, *Kiama*, and *Ibuki* (all mountain names). The *Tsukuba*'s keel was laid at the Kure Naval Yard in December last and she will be launched this December. The *Ikoma* is expected to be launched from the same yard in February next, her construction having been started in the corresponding time of this year. The *Aki* and *Ibuki* are also under construction at Kure, and the *Sakuma* and *Kiama* at Yokosuka.

Chinese Fishing is the latest London "draw" which is to be seen at the Hippodrome. Most people of the East are familiar with the system, which is done by connoisseurs who, at the will of the angler, fly off, seize his prey, and flies back to the boat with the fish in its beak. They also have rings round their necks to prevent them swallowing the fish. At the Hippodrome the arena is flooded with water several feet deep in which swim hundreds of fish from the royal sturgeon down to whitebait. The connoisseurs, like Methodist parsons, sit in solemn silence on the stage and at the word "go" swoop into the tank, tussle with the enemy and fly back to the stage amid the plaudits of the crowd. They seldom come home without a fish.

**CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD. v. VAN LAUN & CO.**

This plaintiff, the China Mutual Steam Navigation Company, of Liverpool, sued Messrs. Van Laun and Co., of St. Helen's, Lancashire, to recover £2,994 odd on two awards, dated Jan. 3, 1902. Two technical points were taken on behalf of the defendants. The first was that the claim was not maintainable, as the cause of action was purged in an order under Section 12 of the Arbitration Act, giving leave to enforce the award as a judgment or order. The second was that subsequent to the awards Mr. Van Laun had given a charge on moneys which he might receive in an action against underwriters to satisfy the amounts now claimed. After considerable legal argument, Mr. Justice Dingham decided in favour of the plaintiffs, for whom he entered judgment for the amount of the awards, £2,994 8s. 9d., with costs.

A mob of English women waited on the Prime Minister, Mr. Balfour, on November 6th, to demand that the Government find work for their unemployed husbands. The Premier's answer was, in effect, "no can do"; and he further said that "the idea that there was an unlimited amount of land in the country which could be profitably worked by the unemployed town dwellers was a dangerous delusion."

A Chinaman strolled into the Singapore Court moulanchantly smoking a cigarette. He was promptly laid to the dock, and Mr. Seth told him that if in China he had insulted the Court by smoking he would probably have got fifty blows on the soles of his feet. As punishment now he would have to stand in the dock all day at the dock, and shortly after another Chinaman was sent to join the other for wearing his hat in Court. (We think Mr. Seth was in error about the consequence of smoking before a Chinese court, which is a fairly common practice. And hats are worn there, of course.)

Those meddling missionaries again! Mr. Lyttelton, Secretary for the Colonies, on November 6th received at the Colonial Office a deputation of representatives of missionary societies, who urged that an ordinance recently passed by the Legislative Assembly of Ceylon, providing for a certain measure of Government control over Buddhist temporalities in the island, should be disallowed. Mr. Lyttelton said he had heard no reason advanced why this course should be adopted. At present there were speculations in the administration of the temporalities amounting to a scandal. By giving the proposed control to the State they were no more identifying it with Buddhism than a Judge would be identified with that religion if the peacemakers were brought into a Court of law. Without giving a final answer, he was afraid he would not be able to meet the wishes of the deputation.

**A CURIOUS RUMOUR.**

Little sparks make glowing fires, and so it was that the production of some imaginative brain gained currency and credence in the city yesterday. A rumour was abroad to the effect that the Russian cruisers in port, which are leaving on the 19th instant, had offered to take home any time expired men of the British Navy. It was suggested that this offer was made in order that the unruly Russian sailors might be kept in check by the appearance of bluejackets on board. A Daily Press reporter visited the Commodore with regard to the matter, and telling him the story he had heard it asked if it could be verified. The reply was—"We know nothing whatever about it. The Harbour Master might be able to give you some information." Later at the Harbour Office, our representative interviewed the Hon. Captain. Barnes-Lawrence. On unfolding the story, the Harbour Master said it was the first he had heard of it. Such a thing was neither practical nor probable. The Admiralty would not hear of such a suggestion, neither would the Admiralty allow it. In further conversation the Captain stated that he had not been on board the Russian cruisers, but had heard they were very dirty; that the officers were living in the lap of luxury, as it were, while the crew were just the reverse, and had little respect for their superiors.

**THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.**

A large number of members attended the shooting on the 9th and 10th inst. at King's Park. The range was 500 yards with a possible of 70. The principal scores were as follows:—

W. T. Heskine	59	A. G. Newington	58
T. P. Cochrane	58	G. B. Baynes	57
E. A. Hewitt	57	C. J. Allen	57
H. E. Thomas	57	A. S. Robinson	56
J. C. Gow	56	J. C. Peter	56
A. H. Tynack	56	A. A. Lyon	56
J. S. Lovell	55	T. K. Deely	55
M. J. Michael	55	F. A. Edwards	55
E. W. Terry	54	A. Blair	54
E. Rogers	54	H. J. Gedge	54
J. E. Buchanan	54	J. McCollison	54
H. E. Goldsmith	54	S. H. Michael	54
J. H. Pigeon	53	W. H. T. Davis	53
P. L. Miller	53	A. W. Dixon	53
L. Gibbs	53	T. A. Dwyer	53
R. G. Bird	52	H. Puckey	52
A. R. Love	52	W. T. Edwards	52
W. Daniel	52	J. Whittall	52
E. W. Dawson	51	R. H. King	51
W. McKay	51	W. W. White	51
A. P. Noble	51	W. C. Winterburn	51
H. W. Fraser	50	J. D. Auld	51
W. B. A. Moore	50	Dr. E. Evans Jones	51
A. Jenkins	50	A. S. Solway	51
A. Brown	50	W. J. Saunders	51
F. D. Goddard	50	H. R. Phelps	50
W. L. Garter	50		

The pool on the 9th inst. was won by W. T. Heskine with a total of 69; and on the 10th inst. G. K. Harton secured it with a total of 64. The membership roll has now reached a total of 200.

**GERMANY'S GROWING SHIPPING.**

According to the *Nauticus*, an annual for promotion of German naval interests, the German flag is gradually assuming a leading position in the different ports of the country. Whilst up to a recent date the majority of vessels loading and discharging for the British Empire, it appears that in 1903 this was only the case in four out of the twenty-five, the incoming and outgoing tonnage of which exceeded 100,000 tons, and then only to a slight extent. In three of them, Pillau, Geestemünde, and Braucke the Union Jack predominated, and in the fourth the Dutch tricolor. In seventeen, notably in Hamburg, Bremen, Bremerhaven, Danzig and Kiel, German shipping exceeded that of all the other nations put together, listed to attract the importance of their trade is calculated to attract foreign bottoms. It is only within the last fifteen years that Germany has gained this predominance, prior to that date it was Great Britain and many ports, Hamburg for instance, might have been mistaken for English ones from the number of British vessels moored there. Great Britain now stands second, the actual figures for Hamburg being 6,391,000 tons against 5,500,000 tons, and in most of the other ports the proportion is pretty much the same. The Scandinavian Kingdoms and Holland come next, whilst vessels from the southern countries of Europe are rarely seen anywhere except in Hamburg.

**TELEGRAMS.**

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**CANTON PASSENGERS GRUMBLE.**

SHAMEN, 12th December.

The s.s. *Yangtze* stranded near Salt Flats at six o'clock this morning. The second and third class passengers were sent off immediately in sampans and launches; but the first class passengers were allowed to sleep on until eight in ignorance. There is a good deal of grumbling at this.

**ST. JOHN'S LODGE INSTALLATION.**

At the Masonic Hall last night the officers of this lodge for the ensuing year were installed as follows:—Right Worshipful Master, Wor. Bro. N. K. Davidson; Immediate Past Master, Wor. Bro. J. L. Cotter; Wor. Sen. Warden, Bro. C. J. Tyndale Lea; Wor. Junior Warden, Bro. F. Allen; Secretary, Bro. Geo. Cunningham; Treasurer, Bro. A. Ritchie; Organist, Bro. H. F. Campbell; Senior Deacon, Bro. H. J. Jilling; Junior Deacon, Bro. G. Sim; Director of Ceremonies, Wor. Bro. J. Leach; Inner Guard, Bro. J. Anderson; 1st Steward, Bro. W. Bouce; 2nd Steward, Bro. A. P. Goodwin; Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone.

After a really excellent repast, the assembly did full justice to the usual loyal and masonic toasts, especial enthusiasm being evinced when the I.P.M. proposed the newly installed R.W.M. In addition, there was the customary feast of reason and flow of other things. The happy time lasted past the time when the work of even a newspaper man must end; and for the names of the musical contributors we are indebted to Mr. Geo. Cunningham, the popular secretary. These were Messrs. W. M. Stewart, J. A. E. Paine, J. L. Cotter, Wolf, Broughall, Puddephat, Anderson, Brown (pianist) and Capt. Thomas.

**SHIP MASTERS' OBLIGATIONS.**

Some correspondence has taken place between the Merchant Service Guild and the Board of Trade on the matter of six seamen who signed on the Dutch steamer *Sala Hadji* at Barry. I had been discharged from her before the Dutch Consul at Singapore. These six men, it appears, were given passages as distressed British seamen on board the P. & O. s.s. *Jawa* which conveyed them to London. The Guild inquired whether there were any obligations on merchant captains to carry as distressed seamen men who had been serving in ships of foreign nationality, and also as to whether the expenses incurred in bringing them home had been recovered from the owners of the *Sala Hadji* against whom there did not appear to be any legal claim or, otherwise, whether the expenses had fallen upon the owners of *Jawa* or the British Government. Sir T. W. P. Blomfield, replying on behalf of the Board of Trade, stated that it was obligatory upon masters of British vessels to afford passages home to distressed British seamen from foreign ships, and that the cost of the passages home of the crew of the *Sala Hadji* would, it was expected, be entirely borne by the owners of that steamer.

The Guild, in the course of a further letter, stated that two of the men who were brought home as distressed British seamen bore names of a distinctly alien character. They suggested that the Board should make inquiries on the point as the Guild desired to ascertain for the information of their members generally whether masters of merchant ships are required to carry men paid off from foreign vessels as distressed seamen irrespective of their nationality. Sir T. W. P. Blomfield has now informed the Guild that two seamen, foreigners by birth, joined the *Sala Hadji* at Barry, and they may be the men mentioned by the Guild. Nothing further, however, is known of the men who; it is said, may be domiciled in this country. In conclusion, the Guild are informed that masters of British vessels can be required to convey distressed British subjects discharged from a foreign vessel, but not foreigners discharged from a foreign vessel.

**A NEW HONGKONG MONOPOLY.**

The board of directors of the Onaka Alkali Company has decided to raise a foreign loan of £500,000 through Messrs. Samuel Samuel & Co. on the security of the company's property. The rate of interest is not yet settled, the capitalists stipulating for 7 per cent., and the Alkali Company offering 6 per cent., but it is expected an agreement will soon be arrived at. By the contract so far agreed upon Messrs. Samuel Samuel & Co. will be appointed the sole agents for the sale in Hongkong and southwards of the sulphuric acid produced by the Alkali Company. This is one of the conditions of the loan. We learn that one half of the amount to be borrowed will be used for the redemption of the company's existing 9 per cent. debentures and the other half as a working fund of the new enterprise for the manufacture of fertilizers. A special general meeting of the shareholders of the company is called for the 11th proximo for the consideration of the proposed loan. The capital of the Alkali Company is £1,000,000, all paid up. The company declared a dividend at the rate of 4 per cent. for the second half of 1905, and of 5 per cent. for the first half of last year.

**HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.**

BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held on the 12th December at the Board Room. The Hon. Dr. F. Clark (president) presided, and there were also present: Dr. W. W. Farrar, M.O.H., Mr. F. J. Badley, Mr. H. W. Blad, Hon. Mr. A. W. Brown, Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, Mr. Fung Wa Chup, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Mr. A. Runjain and Mr. G. A. Wopckock (secretary).

**APPLICATIONS.]**

A number of unimportant applications were dealt with on their merits.

**WATER ANALYSIS.**

The analyses of samples of water from the public supplies by Mr. Frank Brown, Government analyst, show that these are still uncontaminated.

**MORTALITY STATISTICS.**

The mortality statistics for the week ending 18th November, at a death rate of 1,000 per annum, show a percentage of 17.7 as against 19.8 for the corresponding week of last year. This percentage does not include army and navy fatalities.

**TIMEWASHING.**

During the week ended 5th instant 3,765 houses were lime-washed in the Central, and 3,753 in the Western District.

**RAT RETURN.**

During the week ending on the 2nd instant 600 rats were caught of which 20 were infected. Of the 570 caught during the following week, 22 were found to be infected.

**MACAO.**

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

11th December.

**THE SUN PU LOTTERY.**

This lottery has made its start in the city. Man Sun Kung-see is the name of the firm, and its office is at the Largo do Senado. The first drawing takes place next week. As I anticipated, this lottery is already affecting the sale of the Macao lottery, a great many tickets for which remained unsold.

**BANCO NACIONAL'S NOTES.**

As reported by me last week, the decision of this Bank to circulate in this city their \$5 and \$1 notes will be a boon to the people of Macao. I hope that they will gradually do away with Chinese twenty and ten cent pieces, which are a nuisance here.

**MONEY ORDEES.**

I also hear that arrangements have been made between the Hongkong and Macao Post Offices for issuing money orders between the two colonies. If this rumour turns out to be correct, it will be a good thing, as the means of remitting small sums of money between Macao and Hongkong have long been wanted.

**"O BOLETIM ECCLASIastico."**

The Bishop requested Mr. F. X. dos Remedios to resume the publication of this paper, and Mr. Remedios has agreed.

**THE "TRANSPORT" "AFRICA."**

This transport left Macao on Thursday night with many time-expired officers and soldiers and prisoners.

**THE WEATHER.**

The weather here of late has been very bad, cloudy and damp; but so far no cold has yet been felt.

**HOTELS.**

I understand that by the end of the year, we shall have one hotel short here. There is no doubt that there are too many hotels in a small place like Macao, where there are really very few attractions except gambling.

**CANTON.**

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

11th December.

**HONGKONG-CANTON RAILWAY.**

Viceroy Shum recently forwarded a despatch to the Governor of Hongkong suggesting the conditions under which the two systems may be linked. A reply has been received, but its nature is not disclosed.

**NEW WHARF.**

Sometime ago I reported that new piers were going to be constructed on the new bund to accommodate Hongkong steamers which have hitherto been obliged to moor on the Honam side of the river. One of them is about completed and is situated just below the last wharf of the Steamboat Co. The structure is substantial and is a credit to the architects, Messrs. Purcell and Paget, under whose guidance and plans the work has been carried out in such a short space of time.

**SPIRITED AWAY.**

It appears that the city is haunted by evil spirits! Men lose their queues while walking about the streets, the victims discovering their loss through the smiles of passers-by. Chickens are mysteriously deprived of their wings. A man living near the small north gate is the latest victim. He had about \$100 in his pillow, case, which was securely locked up in a box. Yesterday he found that the money had been "spirited away," as he found in its stead an image on which were the words, "Fung Ming Tsai Po," which means "Treasure removed by order of God." These spirits are without doubt not "gaseous invertebrates" but dishonest bipeds who have hit upon the idea of covering their tracks by stirring up clouds of superstition. Many people do believe that it is ghost-pidgin, and refrain from telling the police.



## SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, 12th December.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUNISH JUDGE).

## CLAIM FOR RENT.

The Robinson Piano Company sued H. Price, lately carrying on business as a wine and spirit merchant at 12 Queen's Road Central under the style of H. Price and Co., to recover the sum of \$375, being for one month's rent from the 9th October to the 9th November, 1905, of the eastern part of the ground floor of Connaught House.

Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, represented the defendant.

Mr. Slade stated the claim was for rent in respect of a portion of the premises formerly occupied by the Robinson Piano Co. which were let to the defendant. Practically the whole case bore on the letters and documents which passed between the parties.

Counsel here proceeded to cite passages from the letters in question, which dealt with the arrangement arrived at regarding the lease of the premises, partitioning of same, etc.

W. J. Robinson deposed to being managing director of the Robinson Piano Co., and the premises in question were formerly in his occupation under lease from Mr. Fung Yau Chun. His lease was signed after the negotiations with Mr. Price. \$325 rent for half the premises was a fair sum.

Cross-examined—Witness could not remember whether he told his solicitors to put the 1st November in the lease. He first heard from the Land Co. that he could not get into his new premises until after the 1st November, after his return from America. He consulted his solicitors on this, and believed they had communicated with Mr. Price's solicitors. When he returned to the colony he endeavored to get a new clause inserted in the lease to the effect that the demolition of the brick wall should be carried out at Mr. Price's expense.

Mr. Pollock submitted that the plaintiffs had not made out a case at all. As his Lordship would see, they were suing on a writ of summons—now amended—for the rent of the premises for one month from the 10th October to the 9th November. The premises were described correctly in the writ as being the eastern half of the ground floor of Connaught House; that was to say that the plaintiffs were suing for part of the premises. The draft lease was before his Lordship, and he would see that there was no variation in that, although, as his friend mentioned, there was a dispute as to which side of the premises should be occupied. As mentioned in the first letter it was the intention of the parties, clearly expressed on the face of the lease, that the tenure of the whole premises should commence from 1st November, 1905.

His Lordship would see, by referring to the draft lease, that the tenure contemplated was on a lease and not a leasehold of the whole premises at a rate of \$750 a month. A great deal had been made by his learned friend with reference to the initial letters between the parties and there was no doubt that originally the negotiations between the plaintiff and the defendant were based upon the assumption that the defendant would go into possession of a portion of the premises as soon as a certain partitioning was effected. All these arrangements were easily superseded in the month of May of this year. He would refer his Lordship to a letter of the 10th May wherein was a distinct reference to all previous correspondence which had taken place between the parties. He submitted that that letter from the Robinson Piano Company, which was followed only six days afterwards by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist's, enclosing a draft lease, was absolutely clear and conclusive as anything could be that the plaintiff then took up the suit, no matter what the previous negotiations might have been, that the lease of the whole premises in question was to begin from the 1st November. He did not dispute that the Robinson Piano Co. idea originally, but the Robinson Piano Co. idea emphatically that the lease was to commence from that day, and obviously instructed their solicitors to the same effect. On the 10th May onwards the position with the plaintiff took up was that the lease of the whole premises was to be from the 1st November, and notwithstanding that counsel for the plaintiff attempted to raise a somewhat insubstantial argument on Mr. Stephens' letter of the 10th June regarding the partitioning off; his Lordship would refer to the same gentleman's letter of the 5th July, he would find it quite clear that it was not as his friend suggested.

His Lordship—What do you suggest he intended?

Mr. Pollock suggested that it referred to the prearrangement with regard to the partitioning.

In conclusion Mr. Pollock said that the only question left until Mr. Robinson's return to the Colony was the question with reference to the matter of partitioning.

His Lordship reserved judgment.

## LATEST SIAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Yokohama at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, the 11th inst., and left again at 5 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 2 p.m. to-day.

The H.A.L. steamer *Brigandine*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for port on the 9th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 16th inst., a.m.

The C.N. steamer *Chingai*, from Australian ports, left Port Darwin, the 8th inst., and is due here on the 18th at daylight.

The C.N. steamer *St. George*, from Australian ports, left Sydney the 11th inst., and is due here on the 15th.

## POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 12th December.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## ANOTHER BEACHCOMBER.

Harry Eaton, who was charged with being a stowaway on the s.s. *Leong Sang*, was fined \$5.

## THE MIRS BAY PIRATES.

The two men charged with holding up a junk in Mirs Bay last week again appeared before the magistrate, but the hearing of the charge was adjourned for a week.

## THE CHAMPION INDIAN WRESTLER.

An Indian, who was stated to be the champion Indian wrestler, having won the gold medal in a recent competition in the colony, was summoned for riding a bicycle without a light. He was employed as a watchman in a bicycle shop, but said he was not aware of the lighting regulations. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

## REFUSING HIRE.

Three sampan women were summoned for refusing to come with their boats when hailed from Murray Pier. Inspector Gould said these boats were very busy and the people having made money were, he supposed, inclined to be lazy. His Worship agreed that they were people were "making too much money" and imposed a fine on each of \$3.

## ALLEGED MURDER BY ITALIANS.

Two Italians, named Antonio and Gorani, were charged with the commission of the crime of murder within the jurisdiction of the Italian consular at Mongtse, Yunnan. They were arrested by Detective Sergeant Morrison and Sergeant Watt on Monday on board a ship leaving for Haiphong. Both men denied the charge and were remanded for a week.

## LARCENY FROM THE NAVAL YARD.

A foreman in the employ of Messrs. Funchard and Lowther, and a woman said to be his wife, were charged with the theft of various articles to the value of \$16. The woman said she was his wife, but when he repudiated her she declared she was a widow, apparently with the intention of screening the man. The prisoners were remanded for inquiries to be made.

## ALLEGED ARSON.

The hearing of the charge of arson preferred against Kwok Fat and Li Kat Hin who were accused of wilfully setting fire to the premises at 462 Des Voeux Road on 22nd November, was resumed, Mr. Harthorne presiding on behalf of the Meiji and Prussian National Insurance Companies, and Mr. O. D. Thomson defending.

P.S. Parr said he remembered the fire in question which he reached shortly before midnight. On entering the godown he found a weighing machine, the platform and arm of which were burning, while three feet beyond was a Chinese table, the legs and top of which were alight. Further on was a cot's bed on trestles. Its legs were on fire, as also the top of the bed boards. About 25 feet beyond the bed was a heap of rubbish about ten or twelve feet high. This was on fire from the ground.

On the left hand side of the godown between five and six feet from the door, was a staircase which was alight from top to bottom. After being there about 15 to 20 minutes, he noticed the bottom of the first floor burning through, the burning patch being about two feet square. It did not become ignited from the ground floor. There seemed to be burning oil dripping from this patch. Sometimes it dropped from the first floor to the ground floor and sometimes half-way. P.S. Gordon and himself played with hose on this patch for about 20 minutes but they could not extinguish it, and they called Inspector Collitt's attention to it. He attributed the fact that they were not able to put it out to the presence of kerosene oil. The thick black smoke issuing from it smelt of kerosene oil. Had there been nothing unusually inflammable it would, in his opinion, only have taken 10 to 15 minutes to have extinguished the fire. As a matter of fact it took about four hours to put it out.

There was nothing that might have conveyed the fire from the different objects already described. On the top of the staircase were cases which were also on fire and obstructed the way. Between the staircase and the articles on fire was a space where one could walk. After the fire he examined the debris but found no trace of deer horn. There were, however, four or five cases of ground nuts and three cases of tea. During the fire he heard reports which might have been Chinese crackers going off.

P.S. Gordon, who arrived at the scene of the fire after the previous witness, said he did not see the weighing machine alight, but otherwise corroborated P.S. Parr's statement.

The hearing was adjourned.

## BEFORE MR. C. D. MELLORNE (ACTING SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## THE MURDER OF AN INDIAN.

The three Indians charged with the murder of a countryman whose body was found floating in a box at Laichikok, were committed to the Criminal Sessions for trial.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 12th at 12.10 p.m. The barometer has fallen rapidly over E. Japan owing to the depression which is now moving into the Pacific to the E. of N. Japan.

The anticyclone, central to the North of the Yangtze, now covers China and a considerable increase of pressure has taken place along the coast.

Very strong monsoon prevails and gales are likely to continue in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh N. to N.E. winds; dull at first, improving later.

## COLLISION IN THE HARBOUR.

## MASTER'S CERTIFICATE SUSPENDED.

An enquiry, conducted by Hon. Captain Barnes-Lawrence, R.N., took place yesterday morning at the Harbour Office into the circumstances connected with the collision between the steam launch No. K 10, (master Mok Shing Cheung,) and the steam pinnace of H.M.S. *Hecla*, in the waters of the colony on the afternoon of the 15th November last.

George Martin, first class petty officer, said:—About 4 p.m. on the 15th November I was going alongside H.M.S. *Erne*, and when about four lengths from her port quarter I observed the K 10 coming up on the starboard quarter of the *Erne*. I first saw her bows. I observed her heading to port and noticed her helmman putting the wheel over to port. I then went full speed astern with my engines. The coxswain of the K 10 reversed his helm by putting his wheel over to starboard and I concluded the intention was to pass between my boat and the ship. I immediately went ahead with my engines so as to give him more room. There was, however, no time for this and we were struck just about the port beam.

To the Magistrate—The K 10 would be about a boat's length from the *Erne*, when she struck us. I did not hear a whistle blown by the K 10. I was going to the starboard gangway of the *Erne*. Mok Shing Cheung, master of the K 10, said:—When I first saw the steam launch of the *Hecla* I was passing H.M.S. *Erne* which was on my starboard beam. The *Hecla*'s bow was on my starboard side. I blew a whistle and altered my course to starboard. I saw my boat was going too fast so I went astern at once. The pinnace also went astern and I struck her on the port quarter. I did not blow a whistle when I went astern.

Robert Brooke, boiler-maker for the Kowloon Dock Co., said:—I was in the K 10 at the time of the collision. When I first saw the *Hecla*'s launch she was ahead of the *Erne* some distance off. I directed the master's attention to her and told him to blow one blast on the whistle.

To the magistrate—He blew one long blast on the whistle to indicate we were going down the starboard side of the *Erne*. I was not aware that one long blast had no indication in the rules of the road, and that if a blast was blown the helm must necessarily be altered.

Witness continued—Seeing that no regard was paid to our whistle we kept on our course and I supposed the *Hecla*'s boat was going alongside the port gangway of the *Erne*.

When we came up on the starboard quarter of the *Erne* I saw the launch on our starboard bow and our engines were put full speed astern. Our head went off to starboard. Our weight was not checked, however, and the collision occurred. We were about one-and-a-half lengths from the stern of the *Erne* when the boats collided. I noticed the launch going slightly ahead when the collision took place.

Both parties demonstrated the positions of the respective boats by models.

His Worship, in summing up, said:—This case demonstrates the error that is frequently made with respect to the use of steam whistles. The *Hecla*'s boat did not best she was able to do under the circumstances, as, seeing the evident intention of the K 10 to cross her bows up to the time the latter went astern, she also went astern. I absolve him from blame.

The master of the K 10 should have known the regulations concerning the use of steam whistles and is also to blame in rounding so closely the stern of the *Erne*, when he must have known that any boat coming from the starboard side would be on his starboard side, and that, therefore, by the rule of the road he would have to give way to her.

Mok Shing Cheung's certificate was ordered to be suspended for four weeks.

## EXTRAORDINARY MURDER.

AN ENGLISHMAN'S REASON FOR SHOOTING A CHINAMAN.

Lionel Terry, an Englishman, said to be well known in art and literary circles in London, and to have been once an officer in the Blues, has confessed to shooting a Chinaman in the streets of Wellington, New Zealand, on Sept. 24, in order to call attention to the "yellow peril."

According to the *Sydney Morning Herald*, Kum Young, a feeble old Chinaman, was walking down Haining-street, in the Chinese quarter of Wellington, when Terry fired two shots from the opposite side of the street, killing the old man instantaneously.

A little later Terry walked into a police-station and asked for the superior officer. When told he was out, he said he would call in the morning. He next went to his hotel, sat half an hour in the smoking-room, dined with a friend, and retired at eleven. In the morning he chatted with the other guests over breakfast, and after writing some letters, called on a book-seller to ask how his pamphlet, "The Shadow of the Empire"—a publication denouncing alien immigration—was selling.

From there he went to the police-station, and, laying a five-chambered revolver before the sergeant, remarked, "I am the man who shot the Chinese last night." Then, producing a copy of his pamphlet, he said, "If you read that you will understand the matter." He was taken into custody, and at the request on the Chinaman's behalf, "Murder" was returned against him.

Lord Plunket, the Governor, on hearing of the affair, sent the police the following letter signed by Terry:—"Sir, Having spent several years in various portions of the British Empire, and being convinced of the evil consequences arising therefrom, I have decided to bring the matter before the public eye in a manner which will compel attention. To make this decision perfectly plain I have this evening put a Chinaman to death."

Terry is described as a good-looking man, soldierly in bearing, approaching middle age. He is a native of Kent, said to be well connected, and to have been educated at Eton and Oxford. He was in the mounted police at Bulawayo at the time of the Jameson raid, and has travelled a great deal in Canada, the West Indies, and the United States.

Whenever he had an opportunity he never failed to preach the doctrine of opposition to coloured immigration. To a friend the day before the crime he said, "The question will only be settled by someone being martyred."

## REVIEWS.

## The Cosmopolitan, an Illustrated Monthly, No. 3.

Shanghai: N. C. Herald Office. \$1. With shame and confusion of countenance, the reviewer discovers that he has misunderstood the "motif" of this most attractive publication. It is not meant to merely amuse; the anonymous editor, proprietor-contributor has a mission. What before seemed feeble humour is seen to be subtle wit, designed to awaken the peoples of Shanghai, where, to quote Tolstoy, as translated by the editor, "generation after generation live and die without knowing why." This journalistic Sisyphean essay, alone and unaided, save by the printer's best art, to carry "the whole (unleavened) lump" with him to the top where his alter ego sits like a Democritus, laughing with grief at the follies and follies of Shanghai society. His policy is to tell the (slightly embroidered) truth on all occasions, and so to shock a "sensible-minded" mob into what he considers common-sense. Shanghai may not detect the imputation, but even then our gallant contemporary has set himself a hard row to hoe. We wish him well, and can honestly assert that, whether regarded as a human document or a mere dollar's worth of shrewd reading, the *Cosmopolitan* is not a magazine to be ignored. When its author is murdered, and his body sunk beyond recovery in the Yangtze, all available copies will be collected by the Municipal Council, placed in glass cases along the banks of that odorous tributary, and above will be written: "Si monumentum requiris, circumspice!"

No 3 seems the best number yet. In the large and valuable collection of snapshots we note a speaking likeness of two Hongkong visitors.

Shanghai: Its Sights and Scenes. (A book of views.) Shanghai: Kelly & Walsh, Ltd. Those interested by the recent photographic exhibition will find here a remarkable collection of examples of how photos may be pictures in the true sense of the word. As illustrating that interesting city and its environs, it would be difficult to find a set of more accurate or vivid presentments; and the printing is fully equal to the fine plates. There are nearly fifty of these exquisite pictures, which have only to be seen to be coveted. Cannot something like it be done for Hongkong?

Orendale, by ELIA MACMARTON. London: George Bell & Sons. A musical novel, about an Italian virtuoso who fell heir to an English peerage, lost his marvellous left hand, and thereby lost another man's sweetheart. He is a lovable character, and his life history enables the author to air her views about great composers.

"After all, Handel wasn't a great artist—think of Bach."

"Not a great artist! Mother of God—not a great artist!"

"Yes... those big choruses are very splendid contrapuntal exercises... but apt to pall."

(Here insists Handel was the very greatest, &c.)

"But the Germans, they laugh at our old English Handel, you know."

"The Germans... what are they?"

"What have they given us?"

"Handel? No, Handel was a Saxon—Chopin was a Pole—Mendelssohn a Jew—Schubert a Hungarian—Mozart, the divine Mozart, was an Austrian."

There's a red rag for a bull, if you please.

The Impostor, by HAROLD BINDLOSS. London: George Bell & Sons. Hero worship runs riot here. The impostor is a Canadian settler who, by a very cleverly constructed plot, becomes legitimately another man in America; and his doings, full of self sacrifice and wisdom, save a whole community from ruin, and earns him a bride and wealth worthy of him. A strong dramatic tale that marches well for more than half way and then tapers. It is well written, and the descriptions are of power.

Beggars' Luck, by NEILAN K. BLISSETT. London: T. Fisher Unwin. A heroic tale of old-time Paris, when Mazarin intrigued and noble hands clutched at the necks of noble dames. Crisply written, sensational, and not too long, this romance will be just the thing for a Sunday afternoon.

Dante Gabriel Rossetti. London: George Newnes, Ltd. 3s. 6d. This beautiful book contains an appreciation of the famous artist, and 57 exquisite reproductions of his pictures. The letterpress is by Ernest Radford and the photographs by various experts, including Holford. It is an admirable drawing-room-table book, or gift book. Several of the pictures are on stiff cartridge paper. A marvel of cheapness.

REPRINTS.—Newnes, Ltd., are well to the fore with the publication of dainty reprints. A notable specimen is the edition of Stowe's Novels in pocket size, well in keeping with the subject matter, and though there are 725 pages, thanks to the wonderful modern paper, the type is bold and clear, and the book no more than half an inch thick including leatherette cover. It is a pleasure to handle and look at such an edition. The net price is 3s. 6d.

Indian Love, by LAURENCE HOPE. London: William Heinemann. 5s. This is a book of florid Indian poetry, with a portrait of the author, a lady. As guide to the quality of the forty odd other gems of passion and poetry, the following "On Pilgrimage" may be taken as typical.

"Oh, youthful bearer of my palanquin, Thy glossy hair lies loosened on thy neck,

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Hongkong, 5th December, 1905.

[1886]

The "fears of labour" gem thy velvet skin  
Whose even texture knows no other fleck.  
Thy slender shoulder strains beneath my weight:  
Too fair thou art, for work, sweet slave of mine.

Would that this idle breast, reversing fate,  
A willing serv to love, supported thine!  
I smell the savage scent of sunwarmed fur.  
Close in the Jungle, musky, hot and sweet—  
The air comes from thy shoulder, even as myrrh.

Would we were as the panthers, free to meet.

The Temple road is steep: I strive to see  
Thy slender ankles brushed among the clouds.

Oh, my Beloved, if I might worship thee!  
Beauty is greater far than all the Gods.

And evidently, we reflect in some surprise,  
The chair-coolis is a handsomer animal than he  
is on this edge of Asia.

Banking and Prices in China, by the late Dr. EDKINS. Shanghai: Presbyterian Mission Press.

The preface says all that needs to be said of this interesting publication, so we quote: "This volume is the third of a series of works prepared by the late J. Edkins, D.D., for the Imperial Maritime Customs; the two earlier works being 'Chinese Currency' (1901) and 'The Revenue and Taxation of the Chinese Empire' (1903)."

The "veteran" rhinoceros was engaged on the work at the time of his death on the 23rd April, 1905, and it was left incomplete, literally in the middle of a sentence. Though incomplete it is now given to the public on account of the historical information of great value to be found in its pages."

The Romance of the Mandarin, by EUGENE LEE-HAMILTON. London: T. Fisher Unwin.

This hair-raising narrative is dedicated to all, whether young or old, who feel the spell of the most romantic episode of the world's most romantic moment; when men, in pursuit of the unreal, conquered for our later ages ever real treasures of fancy. It tells of the adventures of a noble son who went to America in search of the elixir of life, and found death at the hands of Indians. His daughter and her lover went with him and also died. The only wonder is that there were any characters left alive.

Fortune's Cop, by MARY E. MANN. London: George Bell and Sons.

This is one of the sweetest, tenderest stories we have read for a long time, the heroine a poor little "twenty-odd" whom the reader feels it would have been a privilege to know. As it is a book that readers will make a point of getting, if they want the best, we will not disclose the nature of the story; but will congratulate the writer on a well-written, well-thought-out and intimate study of real people.

Pride of the Morning, by Agnes Gibberna. London: T. Fisher Unwin.

It is quite refreshing to come across a "changing" story again. This is one, and the author has managed the changing business very cleverly, but lets the secret out sooner than she meant to. There is a rescue from a Yorkshire bog, a fire, a cliff accident, and a satisfactory love interest. A very readable story.

THE ANNEXATION OF BRUNEL.

Our recent telegram from Labuan is confirmed by the following:—It is reported that an administration of Brunel under British protection, has been arranged on lines similar to those made in the case of the taking over of the Federated Malay States.

This in reality means the annexation of the Sultanate.

The pension of the Sultan is to be \$1,000 per month, and each of the two chief Pengarans is to receive \$500 per month.

There is a probability that the erstwhile Brunel territory of Limbang, recently purchased from the British North Borneo Government by the Rajah of Sarawak and annexed by him without the consent of the Sultan of Brunel or all the Pengarans of Limbang itself, will eventually be reincorporated with Brunel, when the administration of the latter country is taken over by the British.

Otherwise, it is stated, our occupation of Brunel would be useless.

By the accession of the British power in Brunel, the administration of the Brunel town of Broketon by the officials of the Rajah of Sarawak will probably cease.

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[2706]

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## NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, etc., should be addressed to the Manager, and not to the Editor. The Manager's Office is at the "Daily Press" Office, 13th December, 1905. [2803]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the CERTIFICATE No. N.S. 4731 dated Hongkong 31st October, 1903, for FOUR SHARES of this Bank numbered 2857, 2858, 2859, 2860 registered in the name of EDWARD HAROLD LOW of Amoy (now deceased) has been LOST and should the Certificate not be produced to the Bank before 13th January, 1906, a NEW CERTIFICATE for the shares will be issued and the aforesaid Certificate No. N.S. 4731 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID. By Order of the Court of Directors. J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 13th December, 1905. [2813]



## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that practice from MOVABLE ARMAMENT GUNS will be carried out as under: MONDAY, 18th instant, from 4.15 P.M. to 8.30 P.M., if range clear—Night Firing from Albion Battery. Stonecutters to reconnoitre on to Chung Hui and into Tauwan Bay. TUESDAY, 19th instant, from 11 A.M. to 12 Noon, if range clear—From a Gun on Wang Chai to targets placed on Round Island and Middle Island. WEDNESDAY, 20th instant, from 10 A.M. to 11 A.M., if range clear—From Guns at High West to Targets placed at West end of Lamna Island. By Command.

T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2814]

## FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship "BRISGAVIA," Captain Russ, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 18th inst., at 5 P.M. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office, Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2805]

## FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship "GREGORY APCAR," Captain J. G. Offert, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, 19th inst., at 3 P.M. For Freight or Passage apply to DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD., Agents. Hongkong, 13th December, 1905. [2799]

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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## AUCTION

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, On MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 18th and 19th December, 1905, at 10 A.M. each day, at H. M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDRY NAVAL VICTUALLING, OBSOLETE AND CONDEMNED STORES, Comprising:—

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TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary. HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2802]

## INTIMATIONS.

## VICTORIA AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE Members of the above Club will give their fourth performance in the Theatre of St. Patrick's Club, Garden Road (near the Tram Station).

SATURDAY, DECEMBER, 16th, 1905.

When Boucault's Famous Irish Drama in three Acts, "THE SHAUGHRAUN" will be presented.

Dances open at 8 P.M. Commence at 8.30 P.M. sharp. Chairs may be ordered for 11.30 P.M. Prices: Reserved Seats, \$2; Unreserved \$1. Solicitors and Sponsors in uniform half price.

Seats may be booked at the ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD., where plan is on view. Hongkong, 5th December, 1905. [2736]

## THE SISTERS OF THE FRENCH CONVENT

Beg to announce that the ANNUAL BAZAAR AND SALE OF WORK will be held in the Convent, Praya East, from December 11th, to SATURDAY, December 16th.

ELECTRIC TRAMS PASS THE DOOR OF THE CONVENT.

The Articles on Sale will include beautiful HANDEMBROIDERED BLOUSES, some FINE LACES, etc., etc., and FRENCH DOLLS.

The Public are earnestly asked to kindly attend and support the Bazaar. Hongkong, 11th December, 1905. [2793]

## THE HONGKONG FROZEN FOOD SUPPLY.

REDUCTIONS IN PRICES.

CUSTOMERS are requested to note the following reductions in prices.

Australian Smoked Mullet ... 50 cts. per lb. Schnapper ... 50 cts. per lb. Oysters, 2 1/2 doz. bottles \$1.00 per lot. 5 ... 1.90

Hongkong, 9th November, 1905. [2958]

## HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

## MEETING OF MEMBERS

will be held at the Offices of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY, 13th inst., at 3.15 P.M.) BUSINESS.—To pass ACCOUNTS, A. C. G. MACKIE, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2775]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## NOTICE.

MEMBERS wishing to have Stabling and Stand accommodation in the enclosure for the forthcoming RACE MEETING are requested to apply to the Undersigned on or before Saturday, the 16th December, 1905. By Order, T. F. ROUGH, Clerk of the Court. Hongkong, 11th December, 1905. [2792]

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

## IN BANKRUPTCY.

No. 60 of 1905.

Re THE WONG CHEUNG KEE Firm, lately carrying on business at No. 218, Des Vaux Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Merchants.

Debtors, Experte THE WING FUNG LUNG Firm, the WING CHUI YUEN Firm, the KWONG MEE LEE Firm, the CHUI LEE Firm, the KAM YUNG MEE Firm, and the PAN CHAN Firm, Creditors.

IN THE MATTER OF A BANKRUPTCY PETITION filed the 24th day of November, 1905.

To THE WONG CHEUNG KEE Firm lately carrying on business at No. 218, Des Vaux Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Merchants.

TAKE NOTICE that a BANKRUPTCY PETITION has been presented against you to the Supreme Court by the WING FUNG LUNG Firm of No. 218, Des Vaux Road West, Victoria, aforesaid, Merchants, the WING CHUI YUEN Firm of No. 124, Connaught Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid, Merchants, the KWONG MEE LEE Firm of No. 301, Des Vaux Road Central, aforesaid, Merchants, the CHUI LEE Firm of No. 2, Eastern Street, Victoria, aforesaid, Merchants, the KAM YUNG MEE Firm of No. 144, Connaught Road Central, aforesaid, Merchants, and the PAN CHAN Firm of No. 225, Des Vaux Road West, aforesaid, Merchants, and the Court has on the 28th day of November, 1905, ordered that the posting of a copy of the said petition and a copy of the order at the Court House door, Victoria, aforesaid, and at No. 218, Des Vaux Road Central, aforesaid, your usual or last known place of business within this Colony and also the publication of this notice in one English and one Chinese newspaper in circulation in this Colony shall be deemed to be service of the said petition upon you; and further take notice that the said petition will be heard at this Court on THURSDAY, the 14th day of December, 1905, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, on which day you are required to appear; and if you do not appear the Court may make a receiving order against you in your absence. The petition can be inspected by you on application at this Court:—

Filed this 28th day of November, 1905.

J. W. LEE-JONES, Deputy Registrar.

Messrs. BRUTTON, HETTS & LADDING, Nos. 39, 41 and 43, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, Solicitors for the above-named Creditors. [2737]

## THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. GENERAL MANAGERS for Hongkong for the above Society, in the place of Mr. F. KIENE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON, General Manager for the East. Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2573]

## OCEAN ACCIDENT AND GUARANTEE CORPORATION, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: MOORGATE STREET, LONDON

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. AGENTS for the above Corporation, in place of Mr. F. KIENE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON, Manager for the East. Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2574]

## EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

By TELEGRAPH.

AFTER EXAMINATION, the Chartered Accountants have certified to the Directors of the EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY of the United States that the Society's ASSETS are reliable as claimed. In all, on 30th September, these Assets amount to \$115,000,000.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905. [2711]

## EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

MESSRS. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers of the above Society, have received from the Society's Head Office the following Telegram:—

"Accountant further certified surplus 67 millions. Financial Condition is unquestionable."

Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2757]

## THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 16th December, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts to the 30th April last, and of declaring Dividends. THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 16th December, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, JAMES WHITALL, Secretary. Hongkong, 25th November, 1905. [2662]

## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

## LOST.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 3025 for TEN SHARES numbered 1988 to 1999 and 471 to 475 inclusive, standing in the name of EDWARD SHELTON, of Hongkong, having been LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said CERTIFICATE be produced at the Office of the Company, 5, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the Seventeenth day of December, 1905, a new Certificate for the said Shares will be issued and the old Certificate will then after be held by the Company as null and void. A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary. Hongkong, 18th November, 1905. [2809]

## UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Society No. 1, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of DECEMBER, 1905, at 12 o'clock NOON when the subject of resolution will be proposed:—

"That the Capital of the Society be increased to \$1,100,000 by the creation of 2,400 additional ordinary shares of \$50 each (whereof \$100 shall be credited as 'paid up' ranking for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the existing ordinary shares of the Society; and that the said additional shares, so far as shall be necessary for the purpose, be issued to those shareholders of the CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., who have accepted or shall accept the Society's offer made to them on the 25th August, 1905, such issue being in accordance with the terms of a contract or memorandum in writing made or to be made pursuant to the said offer and to be filed with the Registrar of Companies; and that the balance, if any, of the said additional shares be disposed of by the Board in such manner as it shall think most beneficial to the Society."

Should the resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation to a special resolution to be adopted by an Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 7th day of December, 1905.

By Order of the Board, W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary. [2778]

## HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the aforesaid CERTIFICATES Nos. N.S. 1633, 1634 dated Shanghai 17th July, 1900, for FOUR HUNDRED AND THREE SHARES of this Bank registered at the SHANGHAI BRANCH in the name of TONG SHOU PANG (now deceased) have been LOST and should these certificates not be produced before the 29th day of December, 1905, NEW CERTIFICATES for the Shares will be issued by the SHANGHAI BRANCH and the aforesaid Certificates Nos. N.S. 1633, 1634 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

No. N.S. 1633 for 50 Shares numbered 49728/37, 32583/31, 25409/12, 39803/69, 13261 and 49098/326.

No. N.S. 1634 for 50 Shares numbered 38558/75, 68093/17, 69383/92 and 6341/118.

No. N.S. 1635 for 49 Shares numbered 8335/49, 65446/50, 25872/86 and 60293/87.

No. N.S. 1636 for 50 Shares numbered 62926/62 and 25952/54.

No. N.S. 1637 for 25 Shares numbered 37075/59, 100893/37 and 29066/15.

No. N.S. 1639 for 25 Shares numbered 47012/11, 10348/52 and 6379/88.

No. N.S. 1650 for 25 Shares numbered 119521/45, 10348/52 and 6379/88.

No. N.S. 1661 for 25 Shares numbered 13631/40 and 7581/95.

No. N.S. 1662 for 35 Shares numbered 21637/42, 20599/603, 69516/23, 65378/53 and 63022/24.

No. N.S. 1663 for 25 Shares numbered 59238/42, 33498/18 and 23474/53.

No. N.S. 1664 for 28 Shares numbered 65533, 47883/57, 40330/32, 19301/307, 30233/37, 65757/55, 67459/91, 68100 and 68412.

403 Shares.

By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. [2693]

## VACANCIES.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the appointments of TWO FEMALE PROBATIONER NURSES, which will be VACANT on the 1st of January next in the GOVERNMENT CIVIL MEDICAL DEPARTMENT of Hongkong. Applicants must be of BRITISH PARENTAGE and not under Twenty years of age.

Applications, in the handwriting of the applicants, with certificates of character, etc., should be forwarded to the Principal Civil Medical Officer, at the Government Civil Hospital, not later than NOON of the 23rd inst. Salary, etc., of each appointment—\$430 rising by annual increments of \$50 to \$600 per annum, with uniform, attendance, free furnished quarters and an allowance of \$81 per annum for fuel and light.

Full particulars may be had on application. FRANCIS CLARK, Principal Civil Medical Officer. Government Civil Medical Department, Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2777]

## LESSONS IN FRENCH.

NEW and easy method of learning French in a few months, mainly by conversation with a Frenchman. Terms very moderate. Also Lessons in English by an English Lady, B. R. Care of Office of this Paper. Hongkong, 16th August, 1905. [2570]

## PURE FRESH WATER.

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT CO., LD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY OF PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Boilers.

Call Flag W. J. W. KEW, Manager, Hotel Mandarin, 3rd Floor. Hongkong, 8th August, 1905. [2607]

## BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

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MRS. GILLANDER, 27, CAINE ROAD. Hongkong, 20th September, 1905. [2165]

## FIRST-CLASS BOARD &amp; RESIDENCE.

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## AT THE PEAK.

BOARD and RESIDENCE in Private House for Two Gentlemen. Terms Moderate. Apply—A. B. B., Care of "Daily Press" Office. Hongkong, 25th November, 1905. [2638]

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## TO LET.

TO LET OR FOR SALE. DUNHEVED 33, Robinson Road. Apply to—HO U. MING, 81, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 17th June, 1905. [93]

## TO LET.

SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late F. Blackhead & Co. and Shawan, Tomes & Co.'s Offices, Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately on leases. Apply to—CHUNG SHUN KOO, First Floor, No. 10, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 18th July, 1905. [192]

## TO LET.

NO. 15, KNUTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON. NO. 10, KNUTSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON. Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905. [2069]

## TO LET.

THE First-floor of YORK BUILDINGS (Opposite Messrs. GATF & Co.) For Offices. Apply—KELLY & WALSH, LD. Hongkong, 4th September, 1905. [2051]

## TO LET.

NEW "KINGSLORE" with Stables and Entrances in both Kennedy and Macdonnell Roads. For full particulars, apply to—LINDSEY & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor. Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [47]

## TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES on Pedder's Hill. Immediate possession. SPACIOUS GODOWNS, formerly known as McGregor Barracks, fronting the Praya. SECOND FLOOR of No. 5, DES VEAUX ROAD CENTRAL, formerly occupied by the Standard Oil Co., of New York. THIRD FLOOR of VICTORIA BUILDING, formerly occupied by Meyer & Co. Apply to—DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD. Hongkong, 2nd September, 1905. [2044]

## TO LET.

"TANG YUEN" No. 18, MACDONNELL ROAD, containing 18 Rooms and Bath Rooms; a well laid out Garden and Lawn. Full View of Harbour. Lately occupied as a First-Class Hotel. Part or whole of premises can be let. Apply to—LUK CHEUK MAN, No. 81, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 12th July, 1905. [1653]

## TO LET.

NO. 42, ELGIN STREET. Apply to—SIEMSEN & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2809]

## TO LET.

A FOUR-ROOMED HOUSE, at No. 5, Rose Terrace, Robinson Road, Kowloon. Possession from the 15th December. Apply to—THE COMPADORE, Messrs. BARRETT & CO. Hongkong, 12th December, 1905. [2801]

## TO LET.

WANCHAI GODOWN No. 107A. Apply to—TANG CHUK MAN, Care of Tang Yin Cheong, 104, Hollywood Road. Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2572]

## TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOMS, with or without Board, near Ferry, Kowloon. Tennis Court attached. Apply—Care of "Daily Press" Office. Hongkong, 6th December, 1905. [2830]

## TO LET.

TWO LARGE OFFICES on the First Floor of No. 34, Queen's Road Central, opposite to a Post Office. Possession on or after the 10th December, 1905. Apply to—WONG CHEE SANG, Care of Yee Sang Fat



## INSURANCES

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The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.  
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. (1587)

## AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHAPPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.  
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. 181

## L'UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates.

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. 13

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## SHANGHAI TRAMWAYS.

The following correspondence relating to the raising of the capital necessary for carrying out the terms of the concession is published.

Shanghai, 18th November, 1905.  
Sir,—We have this morning received from Messrs. Dent Bros. & Co. a telegram relating to the Tramway Agreement, of which the following is a translation:—  
"With reference to Clauses 36 and 39 obtain written consent concession to be transferred to Shanghai Tramway Company, Limited; getting it is only a matter of form. Telegram when done."

Assuming the Council will have no objection to granting the above, as the clauses referred to provide for sale, assignment, etc., to a British Company, we have to request you to kindly obtain for us the written consent asked for.—We are, sir, your obedient servant,

ALFRED DENT & CO.  
W. E. Leveson, Esq.,  
Acting Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 21st November, 1905.  
Gentlemen,—In reply to your note of the 18th instant, I am directed to inform you that, in the Council's opinion, the agreement recently concluded with Messrs. Bruce, Peck & Co. Ltd., unmistakably contemplates the transfer of the benefits acquired thereunder to a public company formed and promoted in terms of Clauses 36 and 39.

Without knowledge of the Shanghai Tramway Company, Limited, or of the terms and conditions upon which the proposed transfer is to be made, the Council is unable to comply with your request, even as a matter of form. I am directed to state that this refusal is not dictated by any desire to act otherwise than in complete harmony with the tramway concessionaires and in accordance with all the conditions of the agreement, but you will understand that the present request of your London house is not readily explicable to the Council, and that under the circumstances no other course remains but to await the receipt of the prospectus and other information in respect to the company which is about to be formed and floated.—I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant.

W. E. LEVESON,  
Acting Secretary.

Messrs. Alfred Dent & Co.

Shanghai, 24th November, 1905.  
Sir,—We are in receipt of your letter dated the 21st inst., and thank you for same. It appears we have been under a wrong impression as to the requirements of our friends, and in order to show you what we have passed in the interval, we think we cannot do better than send you translations of the telegrams that have passed. These you will find enclosed. We understand that what is required is the Council's sanction for Messrs. Bruce, Peck & Co. Ltd., to transfer their interest in the Tramway Concession to a private company, or syndicate, called the Shanghai Electric Construction Co. Ltd., which has been formed for the purpose of raising funds for the construction of the tramway.

It is this company our friends desire to register; but, before doing so, they require the Council's sanction to transfer.

We enclose a copy of the prospectus referred to in the telegrams in which we have made the alterations mentioned.

Requesting you to obtain from the Council as early as possible, their written consent to the transfer as desired.—We are, sir, your obedient servants,

ALFRED DENT & CO.  
W. E. Leveson, Esq.,  
Acting Secretary, Municipal Council.

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAMS.  
To Messrs. Dent Bros. & Co. dated 22nd November, 1905.

Referring to your telegram dated 17th November Municipal Council states agreement contemplates transfer but while willing to your proposal cannot give written consent without full particulars Shanghai Tramway Co.

From Messrs. Dent Bros. & Co. received 21st November, 1905.  
What particulars do you require in addition to proof prospectus?

To Messrs. Dent Bros. & Co. dated 23rd November, 1905.

Do you mean Construction Company if so proof prospectus will it be adopted present form.

From Messrs. Dent Bros. & Co. received 24th November, 1905.

Shanghai Tramway Co. referring to our letter 24th July name has been altered as desired (i.e., Shanghai Electric Construction Co. Ltd.) prospectus of Company otherwise unchanged except modified in accordance with Council's two agreements. One Director added: We want to register at once but all we want is Council give their sanction as deposit has been received. The shares are all taken up. If this should not be sufficient for your requirements, it is unreasonable.

Shanghai, 20th November, 1905.  
Sir,—With reference to our letter dated the 21st inst., on the subject of the transfer of the Tramway Concession to the private company, or syndicate, called the Shanghai Electric Construction Company, Limited, we have received this morning a telegram from our London friends, asking us to inform the Council that this combination has been formed for the purpose of providing funds for the undertaking and that a transfer of interest to the underwriters is consequently necessary.

We are also requested to say that Messrs. Bruce, Peck & Co. are quite willing to guarantee the Council that the aforesaid company, or syndicate, will carry out the agreement. As the forming of such a syndicate is the ordinary way of conducting such operations at their outset, we trust the Council will now have any objection to sanctioning the transfer as requested.—We are, sir, your obedient servants,

W. E. LEVESON, Esq.,  
Acting Secretary, Municipal Council.

Shanghai, 30th November, 1905.  
Gentlemen,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 24th and 29th inst., from which the Council understands that the request of your London house, as amended, is that the Council, in terms of Clauses 36 and 39 of its agreement with Messrs. Bruce, Peck & Co., will transfer the concession to the Shanghai Electric Construction Company, Limited. In reply thereto I am to state that the Council has no objection to the assignment by Messrs. Bruce, Peck & Co. of the benefit of the agreement to this Company provided they will guarantee that such transfer shall not affect their obligations under the agreement for its due performance, and in particular guarantee that in the event of any public company being

promoted to work the Tramway, the Shanghai public, including small investors, shall have an opportunity of subscribing for shares on the same footing as other members of the public.—I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,  
W. E. LEVESON,  
Acting Secretary.

Messrs. Alfred Dent & Co.  
Shanghai, 1st December, 1905.

Sir,—We have to acknowledge the receipt of the Acting Secretary's letter dated yesterday in which we are informed that the Council has no objection to the assignment by Messrs. Bruce, Peck & Co. of the benefit of the agreement for the Tramway concession to the Shanghai Electric Construction Co. Ltd., provided they will guarantee that such transfer shall not affect their obligations under the agreement for its due performance, and in particular guarantee that in the event of any public company being promoted to work the tramway, the Shanghai public, including small investors, shall have an opportunity of subscribing for shares on the same footing as other members of the public.

The above conditions were telegraphed to London yesterday, and we have pleasure in saying, we have to day received authority to confirm them.—We are, sir, your obedient servants.

ALFRED DENT & CO.  
J. O. P. Bland, Esq.,  
Secretary, Municipal Council.

## CHINESE ON THE RAND.

The Mining World belabours those who circulate fiction about the Chinese in South Africa, and says:—They have altogether worked 1,324,400 shifts, with a steadily increasing efficiency, as is shown by the fact that whereas the average number of inches drilled was 13 in Sept. 1904, it was 35.61 in July, 1905, and the average for the whole of the mines was over 38 in. per month. The wages paid have been 1s. 5d. per day—a princely sum compared with what these coolies could have got in their own country. The averages of Glen Deep and South Nourse were 1s. 9d. and 1s. 9d. per day respectively. The companies have spent £14,700 in providing accommodation for the coolies, and perhaps Sir B. Leach, and critics such as he will tell us any other group of employers that has done the same for his workpeople. The cost of importation of coolie labour has not been far short of £2,000,000. It is true that Chinese labour is cheap, but it is not extraordinarily so. When a Chinaman falls ill, he is maintained in the hospital by the company employing him, but most working men in this and in other countries are left to fight with sickness, physically, as best they can. The Chinaman is docile, and the outrages that have been committed by a few desperados ought not to be allowed to reflect upon the character of the whole of them. There is not a finer body of men, perhaps, than the City police, but yet there have been some black sheep amongst them. Now, what would be said of the fairness of reflecting upon the whole force because a few of its members have proved unworthy? Yet that is what the party papers are doing in this country. The Chinese coolies, as a body, will, we contend, without fear of successful contradiction, stand as good a test for character, industry, and docility, as any similar body of workpeople in the world. By their labour, the gold output has been increased from £1,266,889 in Aug. 1904, to £1,745,218 in Aug. 1905. We are at present enjoying an exceptionally good trade. This can only be continued by the wide circulation of money, and money in its original state can only be obtained from the mines. As a correspondent asks in this week's issue:—Is it the object of the Liberal and Radical Party to destroy the Transvaal mining industry by which nearly £2,000,000 every month is being added to the circulating medium? There are thousands of Liberals who have no sympathy with the hysterical articles that are appearing in their Press on the subject of Chinese labour as to which their views are totally misrepresented.

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## SHIPPING IN PORT.

## STEAMERS.

AMERICA, German str., 5,150, Wuppertal, 10th Dec.,—Singapore 14th Dec., General.  
—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.  
BANKOK, German str., 1,237, E. Kilmitt, 5th Dec.,—Bangkok 22nd Nov., Rice.—Chinese.  
BRONHOLM, Dutch str., 817, C. E. Birkholm, 27th Nov.,—Manila 24th Nov., Ballast.—Sunder, Wieler & Co.  
CAPRI, Italian str., 4,155, G. Bellio, 7th Dec.,—Singapore 30th November, General.—Carlovitz & Co.  
CHOYSANG, British str., 1,424, S. L. Hussey, 9th Dec.,—Shanghai 4th and Swatow 8th Dec., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
CLARA JEBBER, German steamer, 1,103, Jacob Bendixen, 6th December.—Chefoo 27th Nov., General.—Jensen & Co.  
CRENSLEY, British str., 2,384, W. E. Steel, 20th Nov.,—Kuching 16th Nov., Nona.—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.  
DAGRY, Norwegian str., 883, O. Abraham, 2nd Dec.,—Chefoo 25th November, General.—Angard, Thorsen & Co.  
DERVENT, British str., 1,563, J. Jenkins, 30th November.—Saigon 26th Nov., General.—Chinese.  
DUNDAS, British str., 1,954, H. J. Case, 6th Dec.,—Kraikan and Java 22nd Nov., Sugar.—Doddwell & Co. Ltd.  
EISEN, Norwegian str., 825, E. Engelsen, 1st Nov.,—Chefoo 25th Nov., General.—Stensen & Co.  
ELINOR, British str., 3,039, H. J. G. Offiant, 11th Dec.,—Calcutta via Straits 25th Nov., General.—D. Sassoon & Co. Ltd.  
HILARY, German str., 1,276, F. Ziegler, 16th Nov.,—Kuching 16th Nov., Coals.—Sunder, Wieler & Co.  
HOPKIN, German steamer, 985, A. Nijhar, 10th Dec.,—Chefoo 25th Nov., General.—Jensen & Co.  
JASON, British str., 7,440, T. G. Steele, 8th Dec.,—Shanghai 13th Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.  
KAMPOT, French str., 42, Le Bail, 6th Dec.,—Kwang-chow-wan 4th Dec., General.—Chinese.  
KILKENNY, British str., 1,700, Wilson, 5th Dec.,—Calcutta 25th Nov., Coal.—Arncliffe, Karberg & Co.  
KIEKANG, British str., 1,238, J. B. Harris, 9th Dec.,—Weihaiwei 3rd Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.  
LAERTES, British str., 1,340, J. B. Jackson, 22nd Nov.,—Saigon 16th Nov., Coal.—Chinese.  
LAISAN, British str., 3,460, P. M. B. Lake, 8th Dec.,—Calcutta 18th Nov., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
LEONARD, British str., 1,092, A. E. Sandbach, 11th Dec.,—Manila 5th Dec., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
LOOSK, German str., 1,029, G. Schullze, 30th November.—Bangkok 22nd Nov., Rice and Timber.—Butterfield & Swire.  
LOTHIAN, British str., 3,222, Williamson, 11th Dec.,—Shanghai 8th Dec., General.—Doddwell & Co.  
LUCIA VITTORIA, Italian str., 554, John Beaudeman, 27th Nov.,—Kwangchawan 26th Nov., General.—Mussio & Co.  
MICHAEL JENSEN, German str., 851, H. Bendixen, 26th Nov.,—Chefoo 25th Nov., Vermorel.—Jensen & Co.  
MINNEBOTA, American str., 1,332, John H. Rinder, 11th Dec.,—Saito (Wash.) 5th Nov., General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.  
NORDEN, Norwegian str., 1,487, Wilhelmssen, 7th Dec.,—Moji 30th Nov., Coal.—Order.  
OCEANO, British str., 1,738, M. Le Brum, 4th Dec.,—Hongay, 2nd Dec., Coal.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
PAKIA, German str., 1,017, H. Demes, 9th Dec.,—Bangkok 2nd Dec., Rice and Wood.—Butterfield & Swire.  
PELOUSE, Norwegian str., 714, E. Pedersen, 10th Dec.,—Amping Anoy and Swatow 9th Dec., General.—Jensen & Co.  
RAHAI, German str., 3,350, C. Wolff, 8th Dec.,—Bangkok 30th November, Rice.—North German Lloyd.  
ROYALIST, British str., 2,690, W. A. Scott, 24th November.—Hongay 21st November, Coal.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
SIBERIA, American str., 5,655, J. Tremaine Smith, 3rd Dec.,—San Francisco 4th Nov., and Shanghai 1st Dec., Mail and General.—P. M. S. Co.  
SWISS, British str., 1,776, T. A. Mitchell, 6th December.—Moji 1st Dec., Coal.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
TAMING, British str., 1,370, Outerbridge, 8th Dec.,—Manila 5th Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.  
TELEMACUS, British str., 1,340, Williamson, 8th December.—Saigon 16th Nov., Mail and General.—Chinese.  
THYRA, Norwegian str., 2,410, H. Pedersen, 30th Nov.,—Kuching 16th Nov., Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.  
TUNOS, Norwegian str., 1,039, C. Halvorsen, 5th Dec.,—Chefoo 25th Nov., General.—America-Hamburg Linie.  
VORWAERTS, German str., 1,790, C. Uderup 6th Dec.,—Pakioi and Hoikow 4th Dec., General.—Jensen & Co.  
WINDSOR, British str., 1,833, J. B. Booth, 7th Dec.,—Souabaya 24th Nov., Sugar.—Doddwell & Co. Ltd.  
WONG KOI, German str., 1,170, W. Rein, 6th Dec.,—Bangkok 26th November and Swatow 5th December, General.—Jensen & Co.  
ZAFIRO, British str., 1,618, R. Rolfer, 11th Dec.,—Manila 9th Dec., General.—Shewan, Tomes & Co.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SAINT BEDE"	On 2nd January.
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BRISGAVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 24th Jan. Freight.
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PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 3rd January
GNISENAU	WEDNESDAY 17th January
ROON	WEDNESDAY 31st January
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 14th February
ZIEKEN	WEDNESDAY 28th February
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BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 25th April
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 23rd May
ROON	WEDNESDAY 6th June
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 20th June
ZIEKEN	WEDNESDAY 4th July
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY 18th July
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 1st August
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 15th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 29th August

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SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"TRIUMPH"	SUNDAY, 24th Dec., at 10 A.M.
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Hongkong, 5th December, 1905.

P. ARIMA, Manager.

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Hongkong, 5th December, 1905.

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## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Optional goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 14th inst. will be subject to rent.

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McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,  
Hongkong, 8th December, 1905. [2755]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

## THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR," having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.,  
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Hongkong, 11th December, 1905. [2799]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer "PALAWAN" FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—  
From London, &c., ex s.s. Egypt.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 17th inst. at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1905. [1]

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